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BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS

Five Cheerleaders, Two
Victories, One Casualty

The basketball season has started and we are proud to say we have opened with two fine victories over capable opponents in the teams of Danbury State Teacher's College and Hillyer College of Hartford. The high scorer of both these games was Ed Roddy, who led the J.C.C. boys with twenty and fifteen points respectively. The spotlight was shared by Andy Navoni, our stellar guard, who before the Danbury game, was elected captain of the squad for the season.

Something new has been added to the basketball team this year—a cheering squad of five of the most beautiful girls in the college, who, besides beauty, boast of very fine lungs. The cheer leaders, captained by Pat Handy, are Eve Wilber, Emily Wood, Ginny Learing, and Nancy Coleman.

We received quite a shock from the news that Al Salit, a star forward on the varsity team, who broke some bones in his left foot in the Hillyer game, will probably be out for the season. We feel certain that the team and the school as a whole will miss his fine spirit and unusual basketball ability.

The squad is compensated, it hopes, by the return of Bill Fedorko, who missed the start of the season because of a broken wrist.

The team travels to Hartford Saturday, the thirteenth, to play Morse College, one of the finest teams in the state. Last year J.C.C. was defeated

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SPORTING CO-EDS WATCH THEIR FIGURES

Bowling flashes! Norma Watson has been unanimously elected the alley champ, the gay nineties queen, or what have you? Some of us roll them with our shoes on, some with our shoes off, but Norma is still tops.

The sport that has the limelight now is boys' basketball. What's that doing in the co-ed column? Just come to a game and see the cream of the crop—J.C.C. has five glamorous cheer leaders. They have all that it takes except a large cheering section. Come on, girls, now's your chance to show your feminine superiority in vocal abilities. As the scores show, the team is great; cheer it on!

Some of the dorm debs have been visiting the riding academies this fall. Barbara Eldredge is in charge of riding. Ask Barb about the when and where.

There's a good group of co-eds this year. Aren't more of you interested in laying aside your books for a few hours a week to try some sport? Don't neglect your studies, but, girls, don't neglect your figures!

Governor Robert A. Hurley Assembly Speaker, Jan. 13

Hampton Institute Quartet

Governor Robert A. Hurley will be the speaker at the college assembly on January 13, the first of the new year and the last of the semester. We shall have a ringing message from the Governor to send us on our way to meet America's needs. The college is proud to have such a distinguished speaker and duly appreciates the honor.

Such a program to start the new year augurs well for the interest of succeeding assemblies. The assembly program committee hints at the appearance of such interesting personalities as magicians, and glass-blowers.

The SCRIBE cannot let the program given by the Hampton Institute Quartet become a thing of the past without at least one word of appreciation. We were very happy to welcome once again the five representa-

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Elections to Phi Theta Kappa

At a recent meeting the Alpha Iota chapter of Phi Theta Kappa elected two new members: Shirley Tobiesen and Jean Wohlsen. These students will be initiated sometime in January.

The chapter is making plans for a public installation of officers as soon as possible after the Christmas vacation. Candidates from both the freshman and sophomore classes will be considered for admission at the close of the semester next February.

J.C.C. In The National
Defense Program

Junior College is already taking an active part in the national defense program, in cooperation with St. Vincent's Hospital. Students are giving part of their time thrice weekly in preparing surgical dressings for the Hospital. Representatives of the Hospital are at the college in the social room every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, from 8:30 to 12:00 in the morning to supervise and instruct those students who volunteer to aid.

A group of girls is also doing the same work for the National Red Cross at the Washington Avenue headquarters, on Tuesday and Friday afternoons, from one to four o'clock. The girls are planning to knit for the Red Cross, also.

LIBRARY VIEWED CRITICALLY

To Be Painted?

"More books, usable books, worthwhile books!" Such is the motto of the Library Society.

In addition, however, to this eager pursuit of books, the members of the Library Society have as a major part of their ambitious program the improvement of the physical well-being of the library. Viewed critically, the room which houses our books is at-

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Administration Notes

The evening student body of the college is sponsoring a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 17, in the college library. The raffling of a radio will highlight the dancing and serving of refreshments. This party is being arranged by the ways and means committee of the Evening Student Council and the proceeds are to be set aside toward the establishment of a scholarship fund for evening students. The day and evening faculty and staff are invited to attend.

The affair is the first social activity of the newly organized Evening Student Council, whose membership is made up of a representative from each evening credit course and of five members at large. The Council is also planning to publish an evening student newspaper.

All evening non-credit courses will hold final sessions during the week of December 8. Some of these courses will be repeated, and a number of new ones will be offered, during the second semester.

Professor John A. Sullivan has

taken over the instructorship of the traffic and transportation class. He takes the place of Edward N. Coogan, who taught the course until he was transferred to another territory in November.

Professor Ashcraft has been appointed by the president as preceptor of the men's dormitory, replacing Mrs. Ann Belli.

The college is planning a new publication, the Viewbook, which will contain many photographs of college life, including classes, dormitories, group pictures, social activities, and the college grounds and campus. The Viewbook will be ready for distribution next spring.

President Cortright and Mr. Halsey represented the college at the fifty-sixth annual meeting of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, on December 5 and 6, at Boston, Massachusetts. President Cortright is the chairman of the nominating committee of the New England Junior College Council, which presented a slate of officers for the coming year.

J.C.C. BENEVOLENCE CAMPAIGN SUCCESS

Gabriel Reports at
Christmas Assembly

The annual Benevolence Campaign of the Junior College of Connecticut will come to a successful close at the special Christmas assembly on Tuesday, December 16. At that time Anthony Gabriel, chairman of the student benevolence committee, will present a sum of more than fifty dollars, the aggregate contribution of all members of the college community, to a representative of the Salvation Army. The program will feature Christmas carolling by the entire group and by the Glee Club. Miss Emily Morrissey will render a special Christmas selection. The Scripture, appropriate to the season, will be read by Priscilla Anderson, captain of one of the four teams making up the student committee.

TEAM TWO THE WINNER

Team Two, headed by Kathleen Pettigrew, will receive the award as the winning team. Each member will receive the individual, personal prize of an all-day sucker in recognition of the team's triumph.

The members of the student benevolence committee, whose energetic leadership, together with the fine spirit of the college community, was responsible for the victorious campaign, are Anthony Gabriel, general chairman and captain of team one; Kathleen Pettigrew, captain of team two; Priscilla Anderson, team three; and Stanley Manasevit, team four.

COLLEGE CHORUS TO SING

Under the direction of Mrs. E. Neal Young, and accompanied by George Kregling, the College Chorus of the Glee Club will offer the following especially prepared renditions: "Welcome Yule", "Deck the Halls", "See Amid the Winter Snow", "We Three Kings", and "When the Crimson Sun is Set."

Carols to be sung by the entire assembly include "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful", "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing", "Silent Night", "The First Noel", "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear", and "Joy to the World".

Members of the Glee Club who will participate in the program follow: soprano—Barbara Eldridge, Evelyn Hyman, Marie Toth, Priscilla Anderson, Ethel Kramer, and Ruth Lane; alto—Eleanor Tellalian, Katherine Galya, and Felice Julianna; Tenor—Robert Dreier, Jack Healy, Charles Weeks, and Frank Kurmay; bass—James Perkins, Al Waxeman, and Louis Nesvezky.

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THE CHRISTMAS IDEAL

To celebrate Christmas while our nation is at war seems cruel irony. Yet Christmas is more necessary this year than ever before. We should celebrate it, not perhaps with the extravagances of past years, but in simpler style with full cognizance of its significance.

Christmas nineteen-hundred-odd years ago was the birthday of a baby whose life was to symbolize all that is best in man. The ideals—the brotherhood of all men, mutual understanding, love and help—were not new nor will they ever be out of date. Perhaps such principles were too far advanced for the people of that time; they would appear to be so today, with most of the world at war. Perhaps such principles can never be fully achieved. Certainly not in our time will there be the understanding, love, and mutual tolerance of nation toward nation, but the goal is there, and we must remember that in the interval between the first Christmas and the present great strides have been taken toward tolerance and understanding between peoples. There have been wars, devastating in their effect upon the world, yet each century has seen perceptibly shortened the distance between ideals and present achievement. It is our duty, and should be our most ardent desire, to see that this forward movement is not halted, even for a minute.

Obscure as this may at first appear, these ideals still form the most definite goal toward which mankind may strive. We on this continent have the opportunity to show that such beliefs are not unattainable ideals, but are capable of achievement.

"STUDENTS, KEEP COOL!"

With our nation at war it is natural for every citizen to be anxious to make some contribution towards national defense. Our first concepts of national defense are likely to be in terms of military and naval strength and action, resulting in a surge of volunteering in the armed forces. We appreciate, however, that civilian defense, directed towards protecting person and property from aerial attacks, and towards maintaining civilian morale, is quite as essential to national defense as the action of armed forces. It is in the form of civilian defense that the SCRIBE believes that the greater part of the college community can most effectively and valuably aid our nation.

Our President and our Mayor have stressed the necessity for every individual to keep a calm and level head. Levelheadedness is indispensable to civilian defense. Students are therefore urged to consider carefully the importance of remaining at their studies unless "specifically called upon by the proper authorities". It is our belief that students will contribute much more towards the welfare of the nation by preparing themselves as best they can for a definite objective and at the same time by developing civilian morale than by impulsively exposing their bodies and giving up their physical life.

The values of education are greater than ever in an emergency such as we are now facing and in the solution of the grave and complex problems which will confront us during the future. We realize that this will be a long and hard war, taxing our strength and endurance, our faith, patience, and intelligence, those very qualities which will be necessary to meet and solve the many economic, social, and personal problems which will beg for solution after hostilities cease. Our chief executive is determined that we shall have victory, final and complete. "We are going to win the war and we are going to win the peace that follows." It is not diffi-

cult to appreciate that the winning of the peace will be harder than the winning of the war. It will be in the winning of the peace following that those values of education, those qualities of intelligent, clear thinking, altruism, determination will be even more significant. The winning of the peace will shape the world as we want it.

Students, keep cool, pursue your studies with all you've got; it is you, the youth, who will remould this old world in the end.

Thumb-nail Sketches

MISS MARY WOOD

Those of you taking courses in the zoology and chemistry laboratories are well acquainted with one of J.C.C.'s newer personalities—Professor Wood, our new science instructor. Waynesburg, Pennsylvania was her birthplace, and also the town of her education, although Professor Wood also attended Columbia University. Leaving Pennsylvania, Prof. invaded the deep south where she taught biology and health—in Salem College, West Virginia, and in Louisburg, North Carolina.

There are no special interests or hobbies, outside of teaching, in which she is interested, but all the better for Junior College which can have her all to itself.

SHIRLEY TOBIASEN

When you see an academic looking blonde dashing from the Physics lab to the Chem. lab. or vice versa, you may be sure that it is none other than ex-Central brain child and Herald Scholarship winner, Shirley Tobiasen. At present, she is president of the revised edition of Kappa Kappa, and secretary of the Sophomore class. In high school, Toby was a member of the National Honor Society and held offices in all of the Latin clubs. Now she spends her spare time swimming and riding. She plans to continue her premed. course at Tufts next year.

DONALD MORRIS

Say freshmen, have you wondered about that snappy Sophomore with the happy grin who is always seen with his pals, Pace and Maguire? Well, he's Don Morris, an alumnus of that great academy of learning, Bassick High School. He is the present president of the outstanding organization of the school, the Stag Club, is on the assembly committee, and indeed who else would be chosen as treasurer of the Sophomore class than "Honest (?) Moe," as he is called around these parts. He is mad (yes, true) about golf, basketball, swimming, and chemical engineering in a minor sort of way. Next year he says maybe he will join Kaplan out at Michigan, or maybe go to Cornell.

"MESSAGE TO SANTA"

If you're listening, dear Santa,
When I make this fervent plea,
Please remember that this favor
Is for all, not just for me.

You can fill our Christmas stockings;
We'll be grateful if you do.
What we really ask, dear Santa,
Is, please fill our hearts full too:

Fill them with the joy and gladness
Of the season now at hand.

ERVIN HUPPRICH

Hear those drums? They announce the presence of Ervin Hupprich, better known to J. C. C. as "Hupp." You'd never think, to look at this seemingly quiet, scientific scholar, that he would almost measure up to the standard of Gene Krupa; but that's where you're wrong, for he does. Hupp is a graduate of Seymour High School, Seymour, Conn., and comes to J. C. C. from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where he spent a short time.

In high school, he was president of his class in the freshman and junior years, president of the Student Council, active in basketball, tennis, orchestra, and dramatic club. At present he holds the envied and much esteemed office of President of Phi Theta Kappa, is on the tennis team, and active in the new J. C. C. orchestra.

His hobbies are drums, sports, drama, and last, but not least, women. (Special attraction to Nordics.)

FELICE JULIANNA

She's here—she's there—she's everywhere. Who? Felice, of course. You don't believe it? Well, look at the list of activities in which this Central High alumna is engaged:

Associate Editor and Business Manager of the Scribe.

Secretary of Phi Theta Kappa.

Member of Kappa Kappa.

Member of the Yearbook committee.

President of the Library Society.

Member of the Glee Club.

Member of the International Relations Club.

She was just as active in Central, too, for she belonged to the Player's Club, Safety Club, Motion Picture Club, Scholarship-Leadership; she wrote the class will and numerous other things in her spare time.

As for hobbies, she likes music, classic and popular, enjoys reading, and likes to sing—bathtub variety. (We'll come visit some time while she's taking a bath, so that we can hear that!)

She has no definite plans for what's to happen after J. C. C. Work? Marriage? Or, perhaps, the University of Chicago!

Spread good cheer and also comfort
Midst the people of the land.

Banish thoughts of war and troubles;
Of such news we have our fill.
For the cheerful yuletide season
Make our thoughts those of good will.

Though the world is full of sadness,
Let the bells ring as before.
If you do this for us Santa,
We can ask for nothing more.

Alice Tarini

Basketball

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quite decisively by the Hartford team, and the boys this year are seeking revenge. Morse and the Junior College of Commerce are probably the best teams the college faces.

The attendance at the first home game was fairly large, but we can do better. The spirit and enthusiasm which the group showed was quite remarkable and exemplified the spirit of the team. The boys are in great shape and will no doubt improve as the season progresses. Coach Ashcraft has done a fine job with the squad, which should prove to be one of the best in the history of the college.

Assemblies

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tives from Hampton Institute who came to us last year, Lorenzo C. White, manager; Robert H. Hall, first tenor; George F. Hamilton, second tenor; Jeremiah Thomas, first bass; and William L. Byrd, second bass. We will not soon forget the singing of Old Man River, Waterboy, and the inimitable Jubah.

GAS HOUSE**WILLIE JUCOCO ON
LIFE AT J.C.C.**

[Ed. Note: The SCRIBE is very fortunate in obtaining the services of the famous columnist, the one and only Willie Jucoco. Mr. Jucoco has just returned from extensive travels in, around, and under Bridgeport, and will now settle down to interpret the news as he sees it happening on the campus. (Of course, he's cross-eyed and his head does come to a point on the top, but we feel that he is the man for the job.)]

It is indeed a pleasure to have the privilege of writing a column for students of J.C.C., because I feel that we have much in common. I regret that my column did not appear in the last issue, but my head got caught in a transom, and I was forced to spend a week in the hospital. However, squinting at life at J.C.C.:

Current mystery of the month: What happened to the band that was engaged to play at the Harvest Dance? Any clue to their whereabouts would be greatly appreciated. Small reward offered—very small. Newsflashes:

Andy Navoni has a job as a wagon driver; Bill Fedorko riding on the trailer!

Joseph Coughlin suffered a broken leg as the result of a fall from the same wagon. He is as well as can be expected.

Goodyear and Firestone Companies face bankruptcy because of the attempts of Don Morris to corner the market. (Business as usual, rain or shine, eh, Pace?)

Eaden Whiteman gets a good job as head cartoonist for the *New Yorker*, with Yo Yo Pfriend writing in the "gems".

Seen at Rudy's, that elite Fairfield night club: Smitty Williamson and wife. (Different wife each night.)

What happened to J.C.C. girls at the party after the Hillyer game? Give the boys on the team a break. . . . Did you see the bag Ganim had at the game? black, too. (I thought pick-pockets snatched wallets, not girls' pocket-books.) Doc Strattard pulled the same trick last year, stealing Verrilli's girls. Did it take much stealing, Doc? . . . Long distance lovers: Tobiasen and Hupprich. He believes in remote control.

In a scientific survey of how J.C.C.

students spend their time, I find the following:

Staircasing	30%
Buying football tickets	20%
Listening to radio	15%
Sleeping in class	15%
Desk-carving	10%
Reading "Gems"	9%
Studying	1%

Tip to girls who listen to records in the men's locker room—"Leave by the window next time," says Dr. Ropp. Tip to desk carvers—Don't detract from the present glamor of existing gems by adding more. Desks not carved up are more comfortable to sleep in.

Man-about-town, Frank Verrilli, boasts of three girls. There are laws against monopoly, Frank. Navoni breaks a million hearts by dating Pat Parker. Frank Kurmay believes in giving all the girls a break. Aren't they lucky? Where does Bert Hoffman spend his spare time? (We saw you, Bert.) Dot Bosak, making a hit in a fringed skirt, with Martie Unger. Willie Szoke trying some of his latest puns on Betty Noren. Jean Wohlson and Al Waxman making a hit at Betty Nelson's party.

How do you like the drapy sweaters on our cheerleaders? Evidently Prof. Ashcraft didn't like Verrilli's suggestion, but you look cute anyway, girls.

Cheerleading and cheering are replacing gem writing at J.C.C.'s latest pastime. We don't mean Whiteman's sieg-heiling, either.

Glamour Glints

The cold month of December finds the Department stores loaded with gift suggestions for Christmas. Topping our list are the attractive and useful make-up sets by Max Factor, Coty's, Evening in Paris, and Revlon. They range from inexpensive to expensive sets, in keeping with your pocket books.

Looking over the magazine items, we find a very attractive key ring with braided leather and a sterling silver pencil, a pair of tiny gilt hearts on a sentimental heart-shaped compact, a Christmas Cake, wonderful soap under frosting from Elizabeth Arden, a duffel bag to accommodate oddments once its manicuring gear is gone, Three Crowns of perfume nestling in a starsplashed box.

Joan Kenley's blouses, white, frilly, feminine, are in our estimation among the best selection. Hand crocheted wool, rope soled booties for cold feet, in red and green, Christmas colors, and Tyrolean type sweaters, dress-up dickeys for flower-fresh touch, are good holiday gifts for this season.

Other choice items are a silver daisy pin that tells your fortune, a three faced evening bag, a handmade Guatemalan belt for that black dress, soft, furry, frivolous glamor mittens in bright colors, monogrammed anklets.

For rainy days, be beautiful in a "go everywhere" sparkling rain cape with detachable hood.

Something novel is a huge pin-cushion of orchid, red felt, in which to stick precious bits, two toned gift flower earrings centered with stones, water lily clips, gold plated and centered with rhinestones.

If you want some good ideas, see the fashion sections of the *New York Times*, and leading magazines. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all.

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Second Chorus, or Guide to Modern Music

By Jack Evans

The most important music news this week does not concern the Dorseys, Shaws, et al, but a group of J.C.C. men. Everybody's friend, Carmen Tortora, intends to organize a dance orchestra, using J.C.C. men as the nucleus. Joe Provenzano was responsible for the original idea, and both boys are cooperating in the promising venture. Tortora will act as business manager and booker, while Provenzano finds the right musical material. Yours truly will lend a timid hand in rehearsing the band and will probably write for it. Although the personnel is not set, Tortora plans to organize about ten men. As soon as the prospective band can do justice to an arrangement, a vocalist will be added. We understand also that the college officials are giving the venture their backing, which should certainly act as an incentive.

LILACS and LEMONS: Lilacs to the Hampton Institute Quartet, who created a mood never before observed by us at any assembly. Lilacs to Shirley Danenberg, who auditioned before the local junior symphony. Because of lack of strings, Frank Foti may disband the entire orchestra. We will be sorry to see this happen, because with Miss Danenberg playing flute, how could anyone resist a season ticket?

Lilacs to Pris Anderson and the fine singing of the choir of the United Church. A real musical treat is offered every Sunday evening at seven p.m. A musical program precedes the United Forum. Under the Minster of Music, Mr. Thiel, last week the group's offerings included a portion of Saint Saen's Christmas Oratorio. Lemons to—sorry, because of national defense, lemons are scarce this week. All you citrus fans gather round next time.

RECOMMENDED listening: Ray Ganim's version of Shortnin' Bread.

Library Improvements

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tractive neither to the outside observer nor to the students anxious to study there.

"Paint the walls!" exclaimed Miss Morrissey, when representatives of the Library Society asked for suggestions. "The walls will be painted", responded the representatives. Even so, the library walls are to be painted this Christmas vacation, and when we return in the new year our eyes will no longer be dazzled by the present glaring white of the walls.

Neither Miss Morrissey nor the Society has any expectations of limiting improvements to the painting of the walls. They plan to hang drapes at the windows and to put some suitable covering on the floor.

The Alumni Association, expressing an eagerness to do something for the college, will be invited to join with the

Library Society in making the library better.

"Be cautious", however, admonished Felice Julianna, president of the student chapter. "Be careful that you do not forget that the library is a collection of books, and with all your improvements remember to improve that collection."

The calendar of the meetings of the Society follows: January 6, February 3 and 17, March 3 and 17, April 14 and 28, May 12, and May 26, which will be the May meeting of the whole Society and at which will be held election of officers.

Play Committee at Work

The Dramatic Club is hard at work selecting the play to be produced in April. The play committee has narrowed down the choice to four, from which a title will be announced after Christmas. The one chosen will prob-

ably be a comedy or farce. Tryouts for parts in the scheduled production will be held next January. At that time the scenery, costume, makeup, publicity, ticket, advertising, and other committees will be named, as well as the production manager.

College Library Adds Current History Books

The college library now has a comprehensive collection of books on current history, among which are many fine volumes given by Mrs. Hayes, Professor Chamberlain, and the International Relations Club. Miss Morrissey, our librarian, has placed all these works together in a special bookcase, under Dr. Fones' picture. Students are urged to use these books to obtain the background necessary for an intelligent understanding of present day events.

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